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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the Examiner's non-final Office Action dated July 6, 2001, applicants now submit the following amendments to the above-identified patent application together with the appended remarks.

In the Specification:

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 3, under heading 1. Related Applications in the current application and replace it with the following new paragraph:

This application is a continuation of Patent Application No. 09/271,689, filed March 18, 1989, now U.S. Patent No. 6,080,091, which is a continuation of Application No. 08/895,517, filed July 16, 1997, abandoned.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 4, page 7, to read as follows:

As shown in **Figure 1**, press arm **20** is in its rest position. The axes of secondary pivots **28** are inclined from vertical by an angle α . As a result of the inclination of the secondary pivot axes, handle arms **30** will assume a lateral rest position under the influence of gravity. As shown in **Figure 2**, the natural rest position of handle arms **30** in the lateral direction is generally straight down from pivots **28**.

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